

Wise. in what our pe peef were to  
come: treuþ he shuld wake. &  
suffre not his hous to be vndir-  
mynded/ and þfore ȝe be redy: for  
in what our ȝe geslen not. māns  
sone is to come. **W**ho geslit you  
is a trewe seruānt & prudent oꝝ  
war: whom his lord ordeynede on  
his meyne. y<sup>e</sup> he ȝine. he mete in  
tyme: blestid is pat seruānt. who  
his lord whāne he shal come. shal  
fynde doynge so/ treuþ. ȝe seye to  
zou. for on alle his goodis. he shal  
ordeyne hi. forsope if yllke puel  
seruānt seye in his herte. my lord  
makyþ dwellig oꝝ taryng. to co-  
me. & bigynne to synge his eue  
seruāntis. soþeh if he ete & dꝛyn-  
ke. wyþ dꝛinkelene me: pe lord of  
yllke seruānt. shal come in pe  
day in which he hoppy not & in  
our pat he knowyþ not. & shal de-  
parte hi. & putte his part wyþ  
ypocritis: pe shal be wepyng.  
& betyg to gidre of teer. **W**hāne  
pe kyngdō of heue-  
nes shal be tyk to ten/ vi-  
gyns: whiche takige her  
laupis wente out. meetige pe  
spouse oꝝ hōsebonde & pe spouse  
le oꝝ wyf forsope fyne of hē we  
ren foolis: & fyne prudent/ but  
pe fyne foolis tooken her laupis.  
& tooken not oyle wyþ hē/ forsope  
pe prudent: tooken oyle in her ves-  
sels wyþ laupis/ forsope whiche pe  
spouse oꝝ hōsebonde made dwellig.  
alle nappid & slepte/ soþeh at myd-  
nygt. a cry was maid: lo pe spou-  
se comyþ. go ȝe out meetyge wyþ  
hi/ pāne alle yo vngyns risen up.  
& ourned her laupis/ soþeh pe  
foolis seiden to pe wyf. ȝine ȝe

to us of your oyle: for our laupis  
ben quenched ȝe prudent answere  
rde. seynge. lest pauentur it shal  
fille not to us & to you: go ȝe rāpe  
re to me lillige. & hē ȝe to you/  
forsope pe while pei wente forto  
bȝe: pe spouse cam/ & po pat we  
ren redy: entred wyþ hi to pe wed-  
dignis: & pe sate was shyt/ soþeh  
at pe laste also pe oyle vngyns  
camē seynge/ lord lord/ opeyne  
to us/ and he answerige seide tre-  
uþ. ȝe seye to you: ȝe knowe not  
zou/ perfore wake ȝe: for ȝe wi-  
ten not pe day ne pe our. **S**o  
peh as amā gopyng fer in pilg-  
mage. clepde his seruāntis. &  
bitook to hē his goodis/ and to  
he ȝaf fyne talentis oꝝ besantis  
forsope to anoy tikerne. but to  
anoy oon to ech after his oylne  
vertu: & wente forþ amoon forso-  
pe & he pat hadde take fyne tale-  
tis. wente forþ & wrochte in hē:  
& wan oyle fyne also & he pat ta-  
ke tikerne: wan oyle tikerne/ so  
peh he pat takū oon. zede forþ &  
dall into pe erpe: & hīde pe mo-  
ney of his lord/ but after moche  
tyme. pe lord of po seruāntis  
cam: & puttde resou wyþ hē/ &  
he pat hadde take fyne talentis  
cam: & brouste ower fyne & sei-  
de/ lord you bitokist to me fyne  
talentis oꝝ besantis: lo ȝe hane  
ouer getū ower fyne/ his lord  
seide to hē/ wel be ȝe goode seruānt  
& seynful oꝝ trewe/ for on seue  
igis you hast be trewe: ȝe shal  
ordeyne pe on many pigis en-  
tre you into pe ioye of y lord  
forsope & he pat hadde take tū-  
er talentis: cam & seide/ lord ȝe

bitokist to me tikerne talentis: lo  
ȝe hane ouergetū ower tikerne/ hi  
lord seide to hē/ wel be you good  
seruānt & trewe: for on seue pi-  
gis you hast be trewe. ȝe shal oꝝ  
deyne pe on many pigis entre  
you into pe ioye of y lord/ forsope  
& he pat hadde takū o talent: cam  
my & seide/ lord. ȝe woot ȝe art  
an hard mā you repit wher you  
hast not sowe: & you gadist to  
gidre. wher you hast not spād a  
brood/ and ȝe dꝛedige wente. & hīde  
y talent in pe erpe/ lo you hast pat  
pat is ym/ soþeh his lord answeri-  
ge seide to hē/ puel seruānt & sloth-  
withit ȝe ȝe reþe wher ȝe sorko  
not: & gadre to gidre wher ȝe spā-  
dde not abrood/ perfore it bihoþe  
pe to take my money to chaunge  
ris. & ȝe comyge shuld hane rel-  
seyned forsope pat pat is ym/ y  
wher ȝe take ȝe away fro hi  
pe talent: & ȝine ȝe to hē pat hap-  
ten talentis/ for to euery mā ha-  
uynge it shal be zoun: & he shal  
hane pleinte/ forsope fro hē pat  
hast not also pat pat he semeþ to  
hane. shal be takū away of hē/ &  
and caste ȝe out pe seruānt vn-  
profitable: into vtinet derfel  
his/ per shal be wepyng: & be-  
tyng to gidre of teer. **W**hāne  
whāne māns sone shal come &  
his maiste. & alle hile angelis  
wyþ hi. pāne he shal sitte on pe  
sege of his maiste/ & alle folkis  
shulen be gadrid. bifore hē: & he  
shal departe hem allþyne. as a  
shepard departy scheep fro ki-  
dis/ and soþeh he shal sette pe sh-  
cep on his rithalf. pe kidis for-  
sope on pe lefthalf/ pāne pe kyng

shal seye to hē: pat shuld be on  
his rithalf/ come ȝe pe blestid of  
my fadir. weelde ȝe oꝝ take & posses-  
cion pe kyngdom maid redi to you  
fro pe makig of pe world for ȝe  
was hungry: & ȝe zane to me for to  
ete/ and ȝe visitde: & ȝe zane to me  
for to dꝛynke/ ȝe was herborles: &  
ȝe herborde me/ nakid: & ȝe hiled  
me/ syk: & ȝe visitden me/ ȝe was  
in prilon: & ȝe came to me/ pāne  
iust me shuld answer to hē: & shū-  
len seye/ lord whāne syen we pe  
hungry: & we fedde we: pūst: &  
we zane to pe dꝛynke/ whāne for-  
sope syen we pe herborles: & we  
herborde pe: oꝝ nakid: & we hile-  
den pe: oꝝ whne syen we pe syk  
oꝝ in prilon: & we came to pe: &  
he answerige shal seye to hē/ treu-  
þ. ȝe seye to you: as longe as ȝe dide  
to oon of pes my leste byperen:  
ȝe diden to me/ pāne pe kyng shal  
seye to hem: pat shuld be on his  
lefthalf/ departe fro me. & curtid  
into enlastige fier: whiche is maid  
redy to pe deul & his angels/ for  
ȝe hungry: & ȝe zane not to me for  
to ete/ ȝe visitde: & ȝe zane not to  
me for to dꝛynke/ ȝe was herbor-  
les: & ȝe herborde not me/ nakid:  
& ȝe herborde not me/ syk: & in pr-  
lon: & ȝe visitde not me/ pāne pe  
shulen answer to hē: & shūlen  
seye/ lord whāne syen we pe hu-  
grige. oꝝ pūstige. oꝝ herborles. oꝝ  
nakid. oꝝ syk. oꝝ in prlon: & we ser-  
uete not to pe: pāne he shal an-  
swer to hem: & shal seye/ treuþ  
ȝe seye to you: how longe ȝe diden  
not to oon of pes leste: neper ȝe  
diden to me/ and pes shuld go  
to enlastige turnet/ forsope pe